

**CALFED Conservation Strategy
Staff Team**

Tuesday March 2, 1999

9 AM to Noon

Resources Building
1416 Ninth Street
Room 804

Call-in Number: (916) 657-4113 (Note number has changed.)

Agenda

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Order of Business

~~X~~ Old Action Items

- Jeff Single/Mike Fris to develop the list of reviewers for their respective agencies
- Mike Fris/Marti Kie to collect existing federal and state documents
- ~~X~~ Danae Aitchison/Marti Kieto schedule a meeting with Rick Breitenbach's EIS/EIR team
- Jeff Single/Kevin Shaffer to suggest revisions to the species list by 3/2/99
- Ken Bogdan to provide Danae Aitchison with descriptions of Stage 1 actions by 2/23/99
- Jeff Single/Kevin Shaffer to provide the list of species that need population monitoring to Peter Stine
- Mike Fris and Jeff Single to review requirements for take authorization

~~X~~ Schedule

~~X~~ Document Review

- Who will distribute preliminary draft sections?
- Who will review various sections?
- How will comments be integrated and conflicts resolved?

~~X~~ Relationship between the Conservation Strategy and Stage 1 Actions
(continuation of discussion from 2/16/99)

~~X~~ Species List and Covered Species: Definition and Criteria for Selection
(continuation of discussion from 2/16/99)

7. New Action Items

Rev. 2/25/99

*only measures
in addition to
what's in
hab. eval.
tables*

- Species Accts
- Hab. Eval. Tables
- Cons. Measures & Presc.
- Chapter 5

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8. Future Meetings

Meetings of the Staff Team have been scheduled for:

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| Tuesday | March 16, 1999 | 9 AM to Noon | Resources Bldg. Room |
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| Tuesday | March 30, 1999 | 9 AM to Noon | Resources Bldg. Room |
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Meetings of the Policy Team have been scheduled for:

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| Friday | March 12, 1999 | 9 - 11 AM | Resources Bldg. Room ?? |
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| Monday | March 22, 1999 | Noon - 2 PM | Resources Bldg. Room ?? |
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The Staff Team has identified several issues that will or may require policy decisions. These are divided into two lists. This first are those clearly requiring policy decisions. The second list may have a policy component, or need concurrence from the Policy Team, but are not fundamentally policy issues.

Policy Team Responsibilities:

- Determine assurances to be included in the Conservation Strategy (ongoing task for Ron Rempel)
- Authorize and determine schedule, budgets, and funding (on-going Policy Team oversight)

Staff/Biology issues needing Policy Team concurrence:

- Final Species List: How will list of evaluated species be narrowed to those to be included in the analysis for the programmatic Conservation Strategy (leading, it is hoped, to a no-jeopardy opinion) and those for which take authorization will be requested under subsequent tiered Biological Assessments/Biological Opinions (federal) and subregional NCCPs (state).
- Definitions of Species Goals: The definitions of the three goals - R, r, and m - need to be made clear as they relate to CALFED scope. R(ecovery) is unambiguous. However, defining r (contribute to recovery) and m(aintain) may involve policy decisions.
- Final Table of Contents for Conservation Strategy: Review Table of Contents, adopt final version at some point.
- Integration of Conservation Strategy with the Environmental Water Account and other negotiated agreements
- Implementation of Conservation Strategy as it relates to implementation of the CALFED Program